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SUBJECT: ITINERARY OF FOREIGN NEWS MEDIA REP. -- LT.

GENERAL JORMA JARVENTAUS (RET.).

REFS: USDAO HELSINKI 010811Z OCT. 73, 181440Z JAN. 74,

AND 222037Z JAN. 74 (ALL SENT STATE).

1. AS SET FORTH IN REFTELS, LT. GENERAL JARVENTAUS, FINNISH ARMY (RETIRED), POLITICAL/MILITARY CORRESPONDENT FOR HELSINGIN SANOMAT, PLANS EXTENSIVE TRAVEL THROUGH US STARTING MID-FEBRUARY TO MID-MARCH. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO (A) FAMILIARIZE HIMSELF WITH US DEFENSE AND SECURITY POLICIES AND PROJECTED GOALS; (B) HOLD SMALL INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR DOD AND STATE OFFICIALS REGARDING ASPECTS OF WORLDWIDE US SECURITY POLICY; (C) HAVE DISCUSSIONS ON STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATIONS AND THEIR IMPACT UPON THE MILITARY BALANCE AND CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT OF PEACEFUL WORLD; (D) HAVE SELECTED VISITS TO AND FAMILIARIZATION WITH US MILITARY SERVICES TO INCLUDE MILITARY SCHOOLS AND POSSIBLY TWO CIVILIAN INDUSTRIES INVOLVED IN MILITARY PROCUREMENT; (E) VISIT USIA FOREIGN PRESS CENTER.

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2. HELSINGIN SANOMAT IS FINANCING COMPLETE TRIP  
RESULTS OF WHICH WILL BE MOST BENEFICIAL TO US  
INTEREST LOCALLY, BOTH MILITARILY AND POLITICALLY.

3. JARVENTAUS SPEAKS GOOD GERMAN BUT HIS ENGLISH  
WHILE GOOD ENOUGH FOR PERSONAL NEEDS WOULD NOT MEET  
THE PROFESSIONAL PURPOSES OF VISIT. DAO'S REQUEST  
FOR INTERPRETER SERVICES HAS BEEN DENIED. AS RESULT,  
WE HERE AT THE EMBASSY ARE EXAMINING EVERY POSSIBLE  
SOLUTION TO OVERCOME THIS LINQUISTIC PROBLEM. IT  
IS IN THIS CONNECTION THAT I TURN TO YOU FOR YOUR  
GUIDANCE ON THE BEST APPROACH TO HAVE GENERAL  
JARVENTAUS PROVIDED WITH ADEQUATE INTERPRETER SERVICES  
IN FINNISH OR GERMAN DURING HIS STAY IN WASHINGTON  
(VISITS TO STATE, USIA AND DOD).

4. WHILE JARVENTAUS IS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT, HE  
SHOULD OF COURSE HAVE EXTENSIVE CONVERSATIONS WITH  
OUR POL/MIL OFFICERS. WE ARE SURE THEY WILL FIND HIS  
EXPERIENCE AND VIEWS MOST USEFUL. AT SAME TIME, WE  
HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO WORK OUT AN APPROACH  
WITH OUR BUREAU OF POL/MIL AFFAIRS TO CONVINCE  
ISA IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE THAT IT IS IN OUR NATIONAL  
INTEREST (POLITICAL AND MILITARY) TO HAVE JARVENTAUS  
GIVEN VIP TREATMENT AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS HE IS  
EXPECTED TO VISIT. IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT A FULL-  
TIMEINTERPRETER CANNOT ACCOMPANY EVERY FOREIGN JOUR-  
NALIST WHOVISITS THE US. HOWEVER, EACHLOCAL HEAD-  
QUARTERS SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE  
WITHIN THEIR OWN RESOURCES TO SCHEDULE A STIMULATING  
PROGRAM FOR SUCH A WORTHWHILE PUBLIC RELATIONS ASSET,  
INCLUDING A GERMAN-SPEAKING INTERPRETER. WE UNDERSTAND  
THE LEVEL OF SUCH INTERPRETING WILL BE UNEVEN. WE ONLY  
ASK THAT EACH HEADQUARTERS BE INSTRUCTED TO DO THEIR  
VERY BEST.

5. LET US KNOW THE RESULTS OF YOUR APPROACH AS SOON  
AS POSSIBLE SINCE THE ENTIRE TRIP DEPENDS ON AN UNDER-  
STANDING RESPONSE. ONCE AGAIN WE REFER TO "THE CARE  
AND FEEDING OF LITTLE FRIENDS."

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